AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. **(currently amended)** A wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine for wrapping a ~~plastic foil~~ web around an object to be packaged, said wrapping machine comprising:

[[-]] a machine frame supportable ~~, which is supported~~ on a fixed base and comprising a plurality of ~~which comprises upright vertical~~ columns and ~~horizontal~~ cross members connecting the ~~vertical~~ columns to each other; [[,]]

a lifting motor;

[[-]] a lifting frame arranged to be ~~vertically~~ movable upwards and downwards along the ~~vertical~~ columns by means of [[a]] said lifting motor; [[,]] and

[[-]] a foil dispenser for rotatably supporting a ~~, on which a foil web~~ roll of the web, said ~~can be rotatably supported, and which~~ foil dispenser being ~~is vertically~~ movable with the lifting frame and arranged to circulate along a circular path around the object to be packaged to unroll the ~~a plastic foil~~ web from the ~~foil web~~ roll so as to form a wrapping around the object to be packaged; [[,]]

~~characterized in that~~ wherein each of said columns ~~vertical column~~ comprises ~~at least two column parts detachably joined together end on end, said column parts comprising~~ a lower column part and an upper column part detachably joined together ~~; and that only the lower column parts of the vertical columns are connected to each other by cross members while the upper column are separate from each other~~.

2. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 1,

further comprising ~~characterized in that the wrapping machine comprises~~ splice joint elements for joining the respective lower ~~column parts~~ and [[the]] upper column parts together.

3. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein, in each of said columns,

the lower column part and the upper column part are box section beams of identical cross-section having a hollow space ~~inside them~~ therein; and [[that]]

the splice joint element that joins the lower and upper column parts together is a profiled beam having an external form substantially corresponding to [[the]] a shape of said hollow space.

4. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lower column part comprises a supporting element ~~capable of~~ supporting the lifting frame when the lifting frame ~~latter~~ is lowered onto [[it]] said supporting element.

5. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lifting motor is secured to the lifting frame so as to be movable therewith ~~with it~~.

6. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 1, further comprising at least an ~~characterized in that the wrapping machine comprises~~ elongate flexible drive element ~~elements~~ and a wheel ~~wheels~~ driven by the lifting motor for transmitting ~~the transmission of~~ power from the lifting motor to produce a ~~vertical~~ motion of the lifting frame along the columns.

7. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the ~~wheels comprise~~ wheel comprises a drive belt pulley ~~fitted for reeling a flat belt, said drive belt pulley being~~ rotatably mounted ~~by means of a bearing~~ on the lifting frame and rotatable ~~rotated~~ by the lifting motor; and [[that]]

~~each one of~~ the elongate drive element comprises ~~elements consists of~~ a belt having a [[whose]] first end [[is]] secured to [[the]] an upper end of one of the columns and a ~~vertical column while the~~ second end [[is]] secured to the drive belt pulley.

8. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim 7, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lifting frame comprises ~~two parallel elongate lateral frame parts, each extending horizontally between two vertical columns; and that the drive belt pulley is mounted in a position aligned with a lateral frame part and~~ a diverting pulley ~~is provided at each end of the two lateral frame parts~~, the belt coming from the drive belt pulley being passed over the ~~respective~~ diverting pulley to the upper end of the vertical column to which the second end of said belt is secured.

9. **(currently amended)** The wrapping ~~Wrapping~~ machine according to claim [[1]] 7, further comprising ~~characterized in that the power transmission means comprise~~ a drive shaft coupled to and driven by ~~to which~~ the lifting motor, the ~~is coupled to rotate it, a~~ drive belt pulley being mounted at [[each]] an end of said drive shaft.

10. **(currently amended)** A top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine for depositing a ~~plastic foil~~ web over an object to be packaged, said top foil wrapping machine comprising:

[[-]] a machine frame supportable ~~supported~~ on a fixed base and comprising a plurality of ~~upright vertical~~ columns and ~~horizontal~~ cross-members connecting the ~~vertical~~ columns to each other; [[,]]

a lifting motor;

[[-]] a lifting frame arranged to be ~~vertically~~ movable upwards and downwards along the

~~vertical~~ columns by means of [[a]] said lifting motor; [[,]] and

[[-]] a top foil depositor connected to the lifting frame and arranged to deposit the web ~~a top foil~~ from a ~~top foil web~~ roll of the web over the object to be packaged; [[,]]

~~characterized in that~~ wherein each of said columns ~~vertical column~~ comprises ~~at least two column parts detachably joined together end on end, said column parts comprising~~ a lower column part and an upper column part detachably joined together ~~; and that only the lower column parts of the vertical columns are connected to each other by cross members while the upper column are separate from each other~~.

11. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 10, further comprising ~~characterized in that the top foil wrapping machine comprises~~ splice joint elements for joining the respective lower ~~column parts~~ and [[the]] upper column parts together.

12. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein, in each of said columns,

the lower column part and the upper column part are box section beams of identical cross-section having a hollow inside ~~inside them~~ therein; and [[that]]

the splice joint element that joins the lower and upper column parts together is a profiled beam having an external form substantially corresponding to [[the]] a shape of said hollow space.

13. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 10, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lower column part comprises a supporting element ~~capable of~~ supporting the lifting frame when the lifting frame ~~latter~~ is lowered onto [[it]] said supporting element.

14. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 10, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lifting motor is secured to the lifting frame so as to be movable

therewith ~~with it~~.

15. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 10, further comprising at least an ~~characterized in that the top foil wrapping machine comprises~~ elongate flexible drive element ~~elements~~ and a wheel ~~wheels~~ driven by the lifting motor for transmitting ~~the transmission of~~ power from the lifting motor to produce a ~~vertical~~ motion of the lifting frame along the columns.

16. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 15, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the ~~wheels comprise~~ wheel comprises a drive belt pulley ~~fitted for reeling a flat belt, said drive belt pulley being~~ rotatably mounted ~~by means of a bearing~~ on the lifting frame and rotatable ~~rotated~~ by the lifting motor; and [[that]]

~~each one of~~ the elongate drive element comprises ~~elements consists of~~ a belt having a [[whose]] first end [[is]] secured to [[the]] an upper end of one of the columns and a ~~vertical column while the~~ second end [[is]] secured to the drive belt pulley.

17. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim 16, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the lifting frame comprises ~~two parallel elongate lateral frame parts, each extending horizontally between two vertical columns; and that the drive belt pulley is mounted in a position aligned with a lateral frame part and~~ a diverting pulley ~~is provided at each end of the two lateral frame parts~~, the belt coming from the drive belt pulley being passed over the ~~respective~~ diverting pulley to the upper end of the vertical column to which the second end of said belt is secured.

18. **(currently amended)** The top [[Top]] foil wrapping machine according to claim [[10]] 16, further comprising ~~characterized in that the power transmission means comprise~~ a drive

shaft coupled to and driven by ~~to which~~ the lifting motor, the ~~is coupled to rotate it, a~~ drive belt pulley being mounted at [[each]] an end of said drive shaft.

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26. **(new)** The wrapping machine according to claim 4, having a packaged configuration in which the upper column parts are detached from the respective lower columns parts, and the lifting frame rests on the supporting elements of the lower column parts so as to be completely located below exposed upper ends of the lower column parts.

27. **(new)** The wrapping machine according to claim 1, wherein only the lower column parts are connected to each other by the cross members, whereas the upper column parts are not directly connected by any of the cross members.

28. **(new)** The wrapping machine according to claim 2, wherein an upper end of each of the lower column parts is hollow for receiving therein one of the splice joint elements with the upper end of the lower column part completely surrounds said splice joint element.